REMARKS

Reconsideration of this application, as amended, is respectfully requested.

THE SPECIFICATION

The specification has been amended to correct some minor informalities of which the undersigned has become aware, including all of the informalities pointed out by the Examiner. No new matter has been added, and it is respectfully requested that the amendments to the specification be approved and entered, and that the objection to the specification be withdrawn.

THE CLAIMS

Claims 1-4 have been canceled, and new claims 5-9 have been added to more clearly and positively recite the features of the present invention in better U.S. form.

No new matter has been added, and it is respectfully requested that new claims 5-9 be approved and entered.

It is respectfully submitted that new claims 5-9 fully comply with the requirements of 35 USC 112, second paragraph, and it is respectfully submitted that the rejection thereunder be withdrawn.

It is respectfully submitted, moreover, that amended independent claims 5 and 8, and claims 6-7 and 9 respectively

depending therefrom, clearly patentably distinguish over USP 4,652,215 ("Kuroyanagi et al"), under 35 USC 102 as well as under 35 USC 103.

In particular, it is respectfully submitted that control chamber 65 of Kurovanagi et al, which the Examiner contends corresponds to the control valve of the present invention, clearly does not correspond to "a control valve which is built-in the servo piston, and which controls inflow and outflow of oil in the oil chamber, and which is positioned by applying a volume control pressure thereto" as recited in new independent claim 5, whereby the driving pressure in the oil chamber is changed by changing the position of the control valve by controlling the volume control pressure applied to the control valve, as recited in claim 5. Similarly, it is respectfully submitted that Kuroyanagi et al clearly does not disclose, teach or suggest "a control valve which is built-in the servo piston, and which controls inflow and outflow of oil in the oil chamber, and which is positioned by applying a control pressure thereto," as recited in new independent claim 8, whereby the driving pressure in the oil chamber is changed by changing the position of the control valve by controlling the control pressure applied to the control valve, as recited in claim 8.

Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that the present invention as recited in new independent claims 5 and 8, and

claims 6-7 and 9 respectively depending therefrom, clearly patentably distinguishes over Kuroyanagi et al, under 35 USC 102 as well as under 35 USC 103.

In view of the foregoing, entry of this Amendment, allowance of the claims and the passing of this application to issue are respectfully solicited.

If the Examiner has any comments, questions, objections or recommendations, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned for prompt action.

Respectfully submitted,

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